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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 3, 2003, please amend  
the above indicated application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1 1. (Currently amended) A shaft for the transmission of torsional loads, the shaft
- 2 comprising:
- 3 an elongated inner tube member having opposing open ends;